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Romance to reign for Festival

During the four days of the Texas Rose Festival tourists are expected to spend \$15 million on accommodations, food, transportation and souvenirs, said Festival Director Paul R. Bendel.

Theme of the Coronation honoring Rose Queen Lora Beth Clyde and her court is "Reign of Romance." The queen's dress has a 17-foot long train studded with at least 250,000 rhinestones. Embroidered on the train are swans, doves and roses, said Jennifer Moore Bennet, 1983 Rose Growers' Duchess.

"The dress was made in Tyler by Nancy Bronaugh, but 30 people put in work on the gown," the queen's mother, Lenora Clyde said. "Jennifer Bennett worked two months as a dressmaker on the dress."

The court in their costumes can be seen at 1:30 p.m. today at Caldwell Auditorium. The dress rehearsal matinee is open to the public. Tickets cost \$8 from the Tyler Chamber of Commerce or at the door.

Six skydivers will jump into Rose Stadium before the Rose Parade finishes there Saturday morning.

"Everything is running smooth. There is a lot of creativity, improved costumes and floats," Bendel said.

The Queen's float is 55 feet long. Robert Middleton of San Antonio designed the float. He is known state-wide for his work in other parades, Clyde said. After the East Texas Fair closed last week, the floats were moved to the showbarns at the Fairgrounds for final touch-ups.

The Festival would not exist without the rose growers support. "(We) work very closely with the rose industry," Bendel said.



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WESTERN WOMEN-- The first exhibit in Vaughn depicts women who helped conquer the West. See story page 2.

3 win Freshman runoff

The freshmen elected class officers Oct. 8. They are: President Mike Ward, Vice President Curt Armstrong and Secretary Jennifer Brooks.

Student Activities Director Emma Lou Prater said more than 300 students voted in the election.

As part of student government, the new officers will help promote school spirit, plan activi-

ties, allocate fund and represent students' needs to the administration.

"I am excited to be the new freshman class vice president," Armstrong said. "Along with Mike Ward, we will do the best job possible as class officers."

They defeated Shanna Williams, Brian Snider and Vicki Cook respectively in the run-off.

Senate schedules busy October

The Student Senate has scheduled three special events and deadlines for another this month.

Dr. Ann C. Rhodes will speak on co-dependency at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday to open Alcohol Awareness Week Oct. 17-21. See related story page 3.

Senate President Blair Blackburn said organizations planning to decorate floats and buildings for Homecoming must pick up their money for these activities by Tuesday. Nominations for Homecoming King and Queen are due from each organization by Friday.

The Senate will conduct a "Spirit Run" beginning at noon Oct. 29. Members of nine organizations will carry the TJC-Trinity

Valley game football along a route from TJC to the TVCC football field in Athens. Each organization will carry the ball a certain distance along the route and hand the ball off to another organization member. The Cheerleaders will carry the ball onto the field right before the game.

A Halloween Masquerade Party is scheduled Oct. 31. Everyone attending the party must be dressed in costume. A Halloween dance will follow the party.

Campus Capers will be Nov. 11 but Oct. 28 is the deadline for entering the competition. Entry forms can be picked up in the Student Activities Office. The Capers variety show is open to anyone on campus who wants to participate.

Campus reps to come for College Morning

Admissions counselors have planned a College Morning Program from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Oct. 24 at the Health and Physical Education Center in Gentry Gym. Refreshments will be served.

The program gives students a time to obtain information from senior universities.

Representatives from 35 colleges have been invited to attend.

"This will give the students a chance to ask representatives what the requirements are for admission, what programs are available, and dormitory information," Admissions Dean Kenneth Lewis said.

"It is important for students to come prepared to ask questions, and to take advantage of this program," Lewis said.

This is the fourth year of the program. College representatives are in this area visiting high schools.

Among those expected to attend are: Abilene Christian University, Austin College, Baylor, East Texas Baptist, East Texas State and Hardin-Simmons universities, Jarvis Christian College, Lamar, Midwestern State, North Texas State, Prairie View A&M and Sam Houston State universities.

Others are: Southwest Texas State, Southwestern, Stephen F. Austin State, Tarleton State, Texas A&M and Texas Christian universities, Texas and Texas Wesleyan colleges, Texas Tech and Texas Woman's universities.

Also invited are University of Texas branches at Arlington, Austin, Tyler and Dallas, U.T. Health Science Center at Dallas School of Allied Health Science, U.T. Medical Branch at Galveston, Huston-Tillotson College, universities of Houston, Dallas and Oklahoma, and Grambling State, Louisiana Tech universities.

Campus needs parking spaces

Gone are the days of leaving the house with 10 minutes to make it to class and actually arriving on time, especially if you are a commuter.

The problem is parking. The solution — nowhere in sight, at least not in the near future.

Parking space on campus is extremely limited. On any given day, students may be seen circling parking lots looking, praying, hoping to find that one empty space awaiting them.

More often than not, that empty space does not exist. In fact, students are frequently late to early morning classes simply because they had no place to park.

Sometimes in frustration and fearing tardiness, students park in visitor parking or yellow zones spaces. For this mistake, the violator pays dearly.

Clearly the student did not park in the ideal location, but when it's the only location, there is little decision-making to be done.

Things are better now—a little bit. Approximately two weeks ago, the situation was at its worst. About 1,700 spaces are available for student parking, and on this particular day, 1,950 student vehicles were parked on campus. As a result, more 250 of them were illegally parked, Student Affairs Dean Bill Crowe said.

TJC needs new parking lots desperately. Enrollment this year is at a record high, yet few accommodations have been made for the excess vehicles on campus.

It costs about \$300 to \$350 per car space to build a parking lot, depending on the individual car lot and the amount of dirt work done, Physical Plant Director Bill Parker said. Thus for a 100-space lot, the estimated cost is \$35,000.

In the last several years, tuition has been raised once, taxes once and a student fee added once. Though the college has costs of its own to account for, it seems logical that some funds could go directly to this campus need.

If not, a little mercy would be nice. Campus Safety Officer Lynn Guthrie said issuing parking tickets is down slightly from last year. This is because officers have been paying special attention to auto burglaries leaving less time to check parking violations, he said.

Those tickets, \$7 here and \$10 there, add up to poverty for the typical college student. These penalties would be more easily tolerated if space weren't so limited.

"We're a little confined in space and we have no land," Crowe said. "What we have is a medium range plan."

Administrators are considering a parking garage as a possible remedy. Crowe added that any solution is practically impossible for this semester simply due to lack of time.

Regardless, it is senseless for students to pay for what the campus has failed to provide.



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'Ranch Women' exhibit

'Women' exhibit depicts Western lifestyles

By JANICE JOHNSON
staff writer

"Ranch Women" is the first exhibit in Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center this year. The exhibit is located behind the stairs.

"Ranch Women" includes ranchers, female outlaws, women rodeo stars, women who wrote of the life in the West and a few who did not live a flamboyant lifestyle, but just existed, raised their children, buried their husbands and passed on a heritage of courage to generations of women to come.

Of the women who wrote of Texas life, school teacher Lizzie Johnson wrote under a pen name for Frank Leslie Magazine.

With the money she earned she bought cattle and began her own ranch.

After Margaret Borland buried three husbands, she drove her cattle from Victoria to Wichita, Kan. Her trail hands were two sons under 15, a 7-year-old daughter and a 4-year-old grandchild. After she reached Wichita, she died from trail fever.

The exhibit came from The University of Texas Institute of Texan Culture at San Antonio. It is well worth the moments it takes to view. The exhibit is open during Library hours.

The Library is open 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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Caution can prevent rape

Women can prevent a possible rape by being aware of it, Donna Franks of the East Texas Crisis Center told Sledge Hall residents.

"One out of four women will be sexually assaulted in her lifetime," Franks said, "and 27 percent of all rape victims are college students."

An average of one rape per week was reported last year in the Tyler city limits, Franks said last week.

Resident assistant Yolanda Miller coordinated the program.

"I think people avoid the subject (of rape)," Miller said. "It happens a lot and college girls are not conscious of it."

Frank discussed protection methods, what to do if a rape occurs and how to help a rape victim.

Senate plans 'Alcohol Week'

During Alcohol Awareness Week, Oct. 7-Oct. 21, three activities are planned to educate and inform students about alcohol and drug abuse, Student Activity Director Emma Lou Prater said.

Dr. Ann C. Rhodes will speak on "Co-dependency: Drug and Alcohol Abuse," at 11:15 a.m., Tuesday in Wise Auditorium. Admission is free but tickets are required. Tickets may be obtained in the Student Activities Office.

Thursday in a "Taste of TJC," local restaurants will serve non-alcoholic drinks and food samples to students. It begins at 7 p.m. in the Student Center.

"The purpose of this is so that they can know they can have a good time without liquor," Prater said.

FFA to meet Monday

The Future Farmers of America will meet Monday at 4:30 p.m. in the basement of the Aleck Genecov Science and Art Building. FFA President Rodney Brents said.

Everyone is invited by the FFA to attend.

Bateman care for residents pays off in Senate award

By DANA ZANBOM
staff writer

Bateman Hall residents have achieved a small victory, not for mankind, but for residential life.

Each year the Student Senate selects outstanding campus organizations. Bateman Hall was selected Residence Hall of the Year last spring.

The Senate selects winners based on participation in campus events.

"We felt that Bateman did a lot last year to help the Student Senate and enhance student activities," Senate President Blair Blackburn said. "They were always trying to make everybody feel welcome, especially the incoming freshmen."

Bateman, with approximately 160 residents, is largest of eight campus residence halls.

Former Bateman Hall Coordinator Mary Jo Strickland said the staff is more responsible than she is for last year's success.

"The RAs (resident assistants) were fantastic," Strickland said. "They cared about the residents and worked awfully hard."

Senior RA Ruth Hutchins said of last year, "The support of the residents coupled with the assistance of the RAs ensured a good year from the very beginning. However, it was our enthusiasm that made the difference."

Bateman Hall added three new RAs as well as a new hall coordinator to their staff this year.

Hall Coordinator is Cheryl Fillion from East Texas State University in Commerce where she was head resident for three years.

Fillion received her bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Wisconsin in Green Bay, her hometown. From there she went to the University of North

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Texas, getting a master's degree in women's studies.

She later earned a master of science in counseling at East Texas.

"I've always liked the college atmosphere," Fillion said. "What I had originally planned to do was to run a Women's Center."

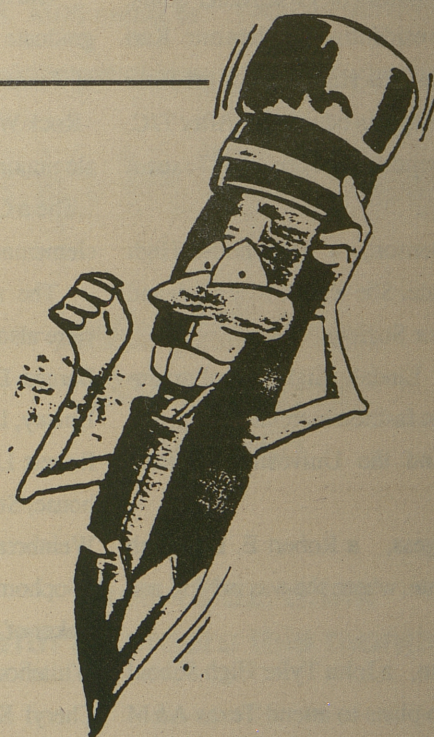
But Fillion says she never got to that.

After getting her bachelor's, she wanted to move. She had an aunt in Dallas and North Texas appealed to her, so she came to Texas.

The new Bateman coordinator said that she would like to stay at TJC at least a year. Someday she would like to be a dean of students.

Fillion said she is really pleased with her Bateman Hall position.

"I ran two other halls at East Texas State and I was never quite this close (to the students) so early in the semester," she said.



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Reception honors scholarship 'stars'

The stars came out in late September at a reception in their honor in the Student Center.

The "stars", Counselor Mary Peddy Beal says, were 20 freshmen Presidential and Dean's scholars. They met administrators and staff, as well as the 19 sophomore Presidential and Dean's scholars.

"We are pleased to have such excellent students," TJC President Dr. Raymond Hawkins said. "All of our students shine, but these may shine a little brighter."

The Presidential Scholarship awards \$2,000 per year for tuition, fees, and other expenses to a student who excels academically. Freshman recipients graduated in the top 10 percent of their high school classes and showed leadership and academic excellence. At TJC, recipients must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average while taking at least 12 semester hours.

Dean's Scholars receive \$1,000 per year for tuition, fees and expenses. They must have graduated in the top 15 percent of their class, shown leadership and academic skills and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average with a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Freshman Presidential Scholars are: Kari Barr, a Chapel Hill High School graduate who plans to major in education. After TJC, she plans to attend the University of Texas at Tyler.

Barbara Benson, a Whitehouse High School graduate. She was in Key Club and National Honor Society.

Amy Bobo, Lindale High School graduate majoring in fashion merchandising. She plans to attend the University of North Texas.

Emily Burgess, a Robert E. Lee High School graduate, where she was in NHS and Spanish Club.

Bo Chapman, a John Tyler High School graduate, who plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in veterinary science.

Heath Huffstetter, a Troup High School graduate who majors in accounting. He will

transfer to the University of Texas at Austin.

Kristi Jones, a Robert E. Lee graduate majoring in journalism. After TJC, she plans to attend Florida State University.

Scott King of Tyler, a John Tyler High School graduate majoring in business and finance.

Micah Lewis, a Grand Saline High School graduate. He plans to major in engineering at Texas A&M University after TJC.

Jennifer Kuna, a Hallsville High School graduate and a pre-med major.

Clint McCaffree, a Van High School graduate who plans to attend the University of Texas after TJC.

Scott McClure, a Robert E. Lee graduate whose major is business.

Mande Marshall, a Robert E. Lee graduate majoring in computer science.

Tony Silas, a John Tyler graduate majoring in computer science.

Renee Praytor, a Lindale High School graduate majoring in secondary education.

Tim Spencer, a Van High School graduate who plans to attend Stephen F. Austin State University after TJC.

Christi Thrash, a Rusk High School graduate who plans to attend the University of Texas at Tyler.

Rock West, a Winona High School graduate majoring in business.

The a Canton High School graduate is an elementary education major.

The sophomore Presidential Scholars were also recognized. They are: Chrissi Barnes, David Brown, Joelle Butler, Shelly Hulsey, Lisa Peek and Lisa Lamb of Tyler; Robert Loper and Kim Kinney of Whitehouse; Stacy Vaden of Grapeland and Lori Weinbrenner of Big Sandy.

Sophomore Dean's Scholars include: Ben Baker of Frankston, Leslie Beddingfield of Whitehouse, Casey Chadwick of Troup, Cheryl King of Bullard, Tina Sanders of Henderson, Laura Horn of Lindale, Leann Hicks of Quitman, and Tiffany Walker and Michelle Dews of Tyler.

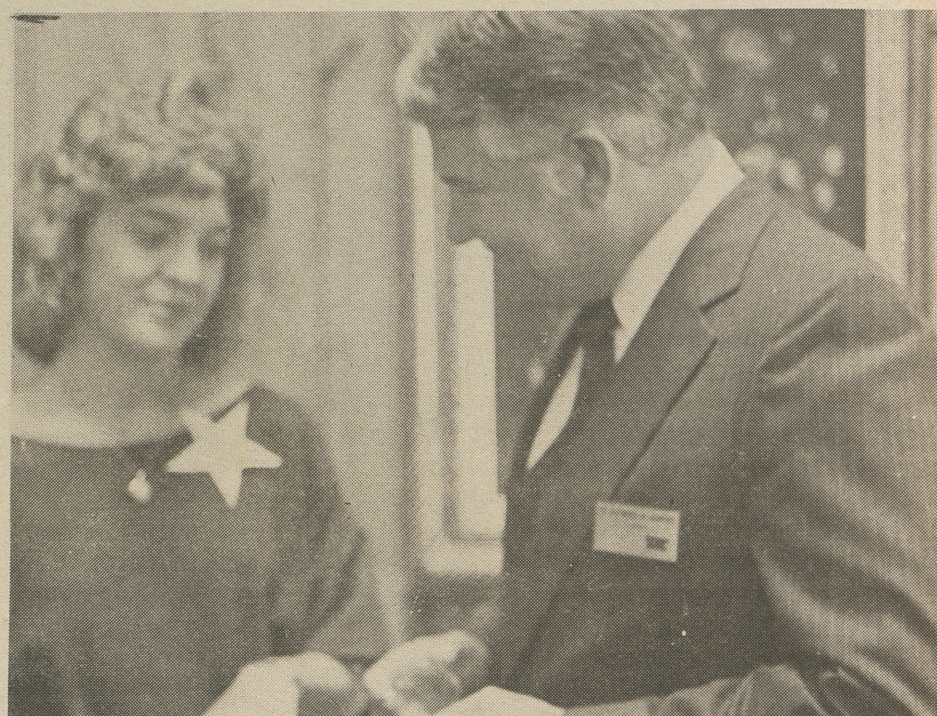



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STAR SHINE--TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins chats with one of the stars honored at the Scholarship reception late last month. "These may shine a little brighter," he said.

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Band plays on

Playing at the East Texas fair and leading the Tyler Rose Festival parade are just two of numerous civic and community events for the Apache Band.

The 109 member band, composed of students from more than 30 different Texas school districts, also play at TJC games.

Band Director Gary Jordan said he is excited about this year's band.

"I've got the strongest band I've ever had here," he said. "They're a very dedicated group."

The Band performed at the George Bush rally in September and at a Dallas Cowboys' game.

The TJC Jazz Band will play Saturday at the Petroleum Club and in concert Nov. 19.

Other Apache Band activities include Dec. 3 at the Texas Junior College Bowl and New Year's Day at the Cotton Bowl.

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Festival involves students, groups

When the Texas Rose Festival opens, the Apache Belles and Apache Band will lead the Rose Parade Saturday, said Festival Director Paul R. Bendel.

Although no ladies-in-waiting or duchesses attend TJC, 12 festival escorts do. They are: Billy Boone, Gene Gradick, Casey Chadwick, Paul Haberle, Lance Hagan, Greg Hodge, Christopher Joseph, Ben Long, John Mc Burney, Cleve Moore, John Murphy and Craig Whisenhunt.

In case of bad weather, TJC will make Wagstaff Gym available for the Queen's Tea Friday, Information Services Director Betty Nelson said.

The Texas Rose Festival runs from Wednesday to Sunday. The four days are packed with things to do. Activities Bendel thinks will be a crowd favorites are: Rose Queen Coronation, Rose Field Tours, Queen's Tea and the Parade.

Tickets are available at Broadway Square Mall.

Cunningham dies

Graveside services were held yesterday for Chemistry Instructor George Michael Cunningham, 45, who died Sunday. His death was ruled a suicide by Smith County Justice of the Peace. Faculty members James Wicks, Larry Pilgrim and Dr. Gerald Wilson led

the services.

A Brownwood native, he had taught here since 1970. He held degrees from Howard Payne University and West Texas State University.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte and daughter, Melanie.

Program offers free dental care

Students can get free dental exams.

The Dental Hygiene Program offers the exams four days a week. The service costs \$4 for non-students.

"The examination includes teeth cleaning, x-rays, if needed, a fluoride treatment and a toothbrush," Dental Hygiene Coordinator, Frieda Pickett said.

Each examination begins with a patient screening. The student takes the patient's dental history. If the case is unusual, it is then assigned to a student who specializes in that field.

"Then the student will identify the hygiene needs and show the patient what he or she is missing," Pickett said.

A dentist is present at every session to supervise all examinations students perform.

Due to the case load and the fact that only one dentist is present, two or three visits may be needed to complete the examination.

According to Pickett, neither the students nor the patients are at risk to disease, namely AIDS.

"The students wear masks, gloves and glasses to make sure there is no way to transfer diseases, such as viruses. AIDS cannot be

passed through saliva," Pickett said.

Students gain admission to the program by first requesting information and then returning an application by March 1.

Approximately 125 students apply but only 24 students are admitted each year. Applicants are chosen by highest ACT or SAT scores and a high grade point average.

"If someone fails or quits, no one else can be brought into the program. Each class will stay together for two years," Pickett said.

Ninety-six percent of the students pass the national boards. The TJC program is ranked fifth of 14 schools in the state. Many students are recruited by the Texas Department of Corrections.

Tuition costs the same as for any other major, but these students also face additional costs of a uniform, lab coat and shoes, their own instruments for about \$500 and health and malpractice insurance, \$15.

To make an appointment for a dental exam call 531-2343. Appointment times are: Monday and Wednesday, 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.; 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Friday.

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Stelding: where students need attention, guidance

It seems appropriate that Dr. Charles Stelding gets a gleam in his eye as he describes a 4-story dormitory for TJC students-with a parking garage-built on the land next to the Tri-C building. And, he would even like to live there. That's his dream.

As Campus Christian Center Director, the slender, silver-haired Stelding believes his most important role is to be "one who is present in the midst of a college where students need attention and spiritual guidance."

Dr. Stelding is not only a "real caring person," but he's "fun" as well, said Tyler sophomore Shannon Hilliard.

"The special ingredient here is the love that Charles has for the Lord and for the kids," Tri-C Secretary Gail Debenport said.

"And, they express that love and concern for each other," she continued.

Standing at a ping-pong table piled with cancelled checks, Stelding explains his varied roles—

administrator, counselor, teacher, fund-raiser, minister, and of course, friend to students.

Stelding likes to spend a lot of time with students. He does things with them most Friday nights. His wife Barbara says their family has been "enhanced" by Stelding's job. "Our children were always around college students - it helped our kids," she said.

Kids don't have much free time anymore, Stelding said. They need it to "think, develop, and explore."

More students seem to have jobs these days. When they get so "tied to a schedule," some of them become "nervous wrecks," he continued. Maybe they need jobs because of the economic problems of the area, but the "pressure" to have "things," such as "stereos and nice cars" is part of the problem.

Stelding and his sister were raised by grandparents in Elmore City, OK., after their parents were divorced. His grandmother took him to the country church on Sun-

days. He began to see the preacher at the small church as a mentor.

After high school, Stelding graduated from Abilene Christian College with a degree in Bible and a minor in journalism. At that time, he was recommended for the pastoral position of a small church in Basel, Switzerland. The only hitch was that he would have to preach in German.

Upon arriving in Basel, and industrial city of 400,000 on the Rhine River, Stelding and his wife enrolled in a German language school.

Barbara said she would babble and go around in circles to make her point, not really minding if she made mistakes in German. But, Stelding always wanted to do it "right."

"His German was perfect," she said.

While in Basel, Stelding attended the University of Basel. One night while he and his wife were walking home from a class, they stopped at a coffee shop for an

ice-cream float. The lady behind the counter had never heard of anything so weird, so Stelding showed her how to pour soda over the ice cream. She thought it quite disgusting and appropriately "American."

After spending five years in Basel, the young family returned to America where Stelding attended school once again. This time he received his doctorate in ministry from Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

After Vanderbilt, Stelding accepted a job as campus minister at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Co.

Purgatory ski resort is near Durango. He conducted Sunday afternoon church service on the slopes. People would ski in and stand around for prayers and a devotional. In exchange, his family received free season ski-lift passes.

Since coming to Tyler in 1983, Stelding has put his heart and soul into Tri-C. The original building

built 30 years ago has been added to, but it is showing its age. The kitchen desperately needs to be remodeled and furniture is ragged around the edges.

"There is always the need for more funds," notes Stelding.

He doesn't mind going out into the community and telling people about his program, but, "I don't like to ask people for money," he said.

But, the students, hardly notice the shabbiness of the building. The building is a place where students meet each other and a healthy bonding occurs.

Last year, during her first year away from home, sophomore Shelia Stafford was extremely homesick.

"Charles reminds me of my dad-his sense of humor-and he really helped me get through the rough spots," she said. "Whenever I had a problem, I could always go talk to him."

"If something matters to you, it matters to him," she concluded.

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December 2	Last day to drop a course
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December 16	Last day of Fall semester
January 11-12	Spring Registration

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Bulldogs drop Tribe

Navarro Junior College Bulldogs defeated the Apaches, 20-10, Saturday night for the second time this season.

Navarro improved its record to 4-1 and 2-0 in the conference while the Tribe dropped to 3-3 overall and 1-1 in the conference.

"They (Navarro) have got a good team," said Apache Head Coach Charlie McGinty, "I'm not ashamed of losing to a good football team, but I am ashamed to give a game away to a good football team like we did."

TJC posted a 10-3 halftime lead, but the Navarro defense asserted itself in the second half, causing several Apache mistakes.

"Defensively we played well," McGinty said, "but our kicking game broke down. We moved the ball some... Kirt Griffin did a good job at quarterback but the receivers just dropped the ball."

The Tribe posted more offensive yardage than the Bulldogs. Griffin replaced starter Mark Ellis who went down with an ankle injury. Under Griffin's leadership, TJC racked up 192 yards total offense. Griffin completed 10 of 20 passes for 141 yards.

Ivory Brown was the Tribe's leading rusher with 67 yards but the team netted only 30 yards total rushing after the quarterback sacks were averaged in. Darrin Terry was the Tribe's leading receiver with 105 yards.

Defensively, TJC gave up 168 yards. The Bulldogs rushed for 145 yards while passing for 23 yards.

McGinty said the defense did well against Navarro, although the Bulldogs had good field position enabling them to score.

TJC meets Cisco Junior College in Cisco Saturday night.

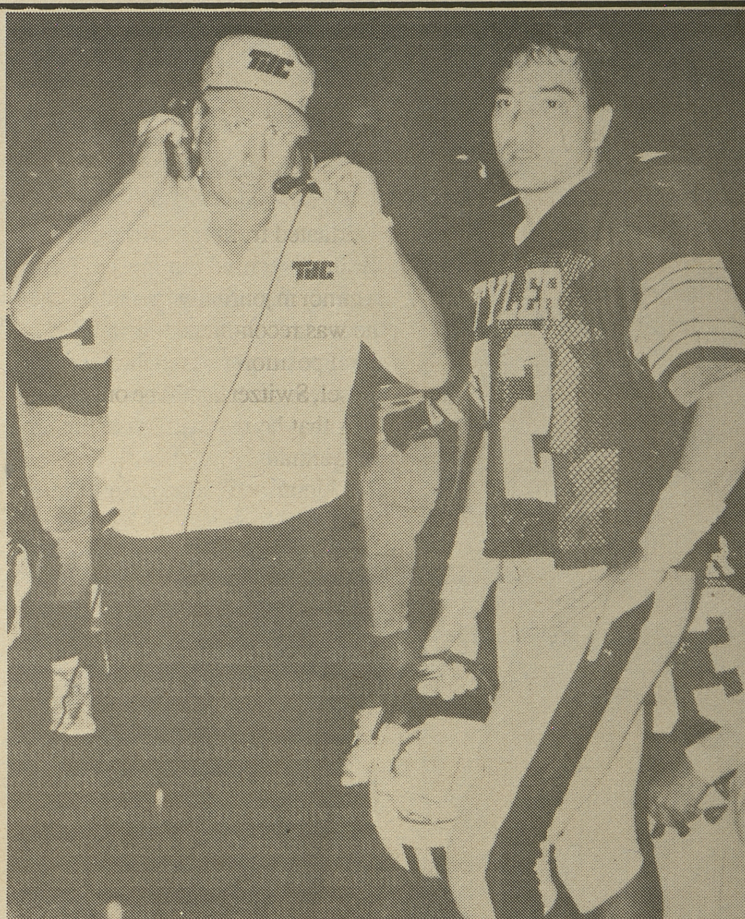


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POW WOW WITH CHIEF--Apache Assistant Coach Rick Langley confers with Quarterback Kirt Griffin during a timeout.

Ladies win 2 games

By Kim Sebek
staff writer

The Apache Ladies basketball team defeated McLennan Community College and Hill College in scrimmages Friday at Stephen F Austin State University.

"I think we are ready to scrimmage, but not ready for an official game," Ladies Coach Charles Mancil said.

Returning sophomores are: center Kelle Mitchell, guards Gabbi Olden and Kim Sebek and forward Barbara Brown who sat out last season.

"We have experienced players at almost every key position—guard, off guard and post," the second-year coach said.

Freshman guards are: Misti Goodman, Amy Hyde, Nedra Johnson and Vonda Scott.

At forward are freshmen Bobbie Bean, Belinda Bonhomme, Crystal Phillips and Sheronda Williams.

Sonya Colston and Karen Malone are freshmen at center.

"We have a good strong core of sophomores and a good crop of freshmen which will make and exciting combination," Mancil said.

After losing two top post recruits and Mitchell until December due to ankle surgery, Mancil still thinks the Apache Ladies have a lot of depth and talent.

"Even though we have had some setbacks, we still have some outstanding players. After the scrimmage, we should get a better overall look at the team," Mancil said.

The Ladies face a competitive schedule this year which includes many nationally ranked teams.

"We are playing one of the toughest schedules in the NJCAA," Mancil said, "the No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 teams in the nation."

Mancil has high expectations for this year's team and two important goals he hopes to meet.

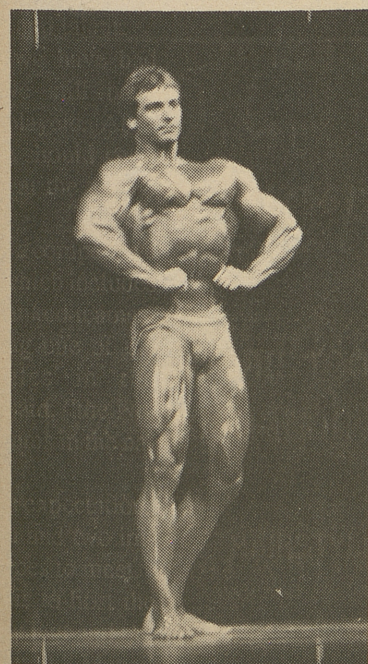
"My first goal is to host the North Zone Tournament and my second goal is to win it," Mancil said, optimistically.

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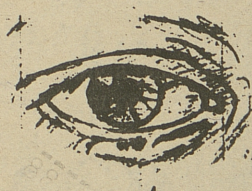
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Swim deadline nears

Tomorrow is the deadline to sign up for the intramural swim meet, first of three upcoming intramural contests. Students may enter 50-yard freestyle, 50-yard butterfly, 50-yard backstroke, 100-yard freestyle, 100-yard individual medley and 200-yard freestyle relay.

Applications for the Oct. 19-20 swim meet can be picked up at the Health and Physical Education Center information desk, Intramural Coordinator Dave Reimer said.

Two other fall competitions are planned, basketball and wallyball.

David Goodman, Sern Chang and Johanna Culver won the September intramural tennis tournament. They were champs in men's level 1 and 2 and women's divisions, respectively.

To be part of the intramural program, you must be a student enrolled in at least one class and

'Two other fall competitions are planned, basketball and wallyball.'

not be involved in intercollegiate sports, Reimer said.

The intramural sports program is a great way to get involved with student activities and make new friends as well as stay physically fit, Reimer said.

Three-on-three basketball and wallyball applications can be picked up starting Nov. 3. They must be turned in by Nov. 8.

The intramural program is also looking for officials, scorekeepers and timekeepers for these events. Those interested in these jobs should go to the HPE desk or contact Reimer.

Agassi works to make Tennis Team

Whole family plays game, brother Andre most famous

*By Melinda Coker
staff writer*

On a hot, humid afternoon on the tennis courts, diminutive Tami Agassi relentlessly pounded the tennis ball back and forth with a practice partner. As she walked off the court, wiping the sweat from her tiny frame with a towel, a broad smile lit her face.

Agassi, 19, transferred here from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas. She was ready to leave her hometown, Las Vegas, last year, Tennis Coach John Peterson said, but she had the opportunity to play No. 2 singles for UNLV, a good Division I school.

As many freshmen learn, college is much different from high school. Classes at UNLV were so large that it seemed the teachers didn't care if students attended. Unfortunately, Agassi found out too late that it was important to attend class regularly.

At TJC "the teachers take attendance and they really care about you," she said.

'But her most famous sibling is her younger brother, Andre, 18-year-old darling of the recent U.S. Open'

Agassi comes from a strong tennis family. Her oldest sister, Rita, played tennis professionally and is married to the legendary Pancho Gonzalez. Her older brother, Phillip, played well for UNLV and continued on the satellite circuit after college.

But her most famous sibling is her younger brother, Andre, the 18-year-old darling of the recent U.S. Open. Ivan Lendl ended fourth seed Andre's 23-match winning streak in the men's semifinals at that tournament.

Agassi did miss two class days when she flew to New York to watch her brother play Jimmy Connors in the Open quarterfinals.

"It was so weird to see girls running around in 'Andre' T-shirts at the tournament," Agassi said. "There were big colored posters of Andre in all the gift shops, but when I went to buy one, the shopkeepers acted like I was just another teeny-bopper in love with him."

Alex Kau, Agassi's new roommate from Montreal, said of her, "We really get along great and we are liking Tyler more and more."

Tyler is different from Las Vegas.

"Everything closes so early here," Agassi lamented.

"But the box boys at the grocery store insist on carrying your bags out for you and they won't even accept tips," she exclaimed.

She should be eligible to play on the TJC Tennis Team during spring semester. In the meantime, she'll be out hitting that tennis ball during practice, just like the rest of the team.

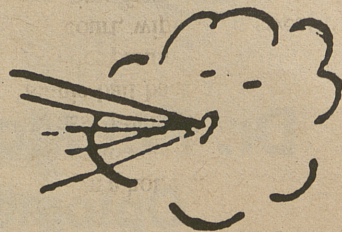
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